







## Cerebral Palsy of Westchester Celebrates March as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month



In 1987, President Ronald Reagan issued a public proclamation that the month of March would be recognized as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month to "increase public awareness of the needs and potential of Americans with disabilities." According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), about one in six children – ages 3 through 17 – have a developmental disability. Developmental disabilities are considered impairments in physical, learning, language or behavior areas, and include autism spectrum disorders, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, Cerebral Palsy, learning or intellectual disabilities, and hearing loss or vision impairment.

For over 69 years, Cerebral Palsy of Westchester has been a leading non-profit organization in Westchester County, providing essential services to children and adults with all developmental disabilities including autism, neurological impairments, intellectual disabilities, epilepsy and cerebral palsy. It has always been our purpose to help people realize their goals, build brighter futures, and lead more independent lives as members of their community.

Through a comprehensive network of programs and services in New York and Connecticut, we offer individuals with disabilities and their families educational, vocational, recreational, and residential opportunities. In addition, through our community outreach efforts, we provide case management, evaluation, and referral services.

Please visit our website for more information on our programs and services and on how you can get involved to make a difference in the lives of those with a developmental disability.

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